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DAILY SUMMARY – OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

Current as of 12:00 p.m. EST April 17, 2003



Coalition Forces Update

- Coalition forces have transitioned from combat operations to stability operations.
- More U.S. forces have arrived in Mosul to help control unrest in that northern city.
- U.S. forces in Baghdad continue to work on restoring power to the city. Six substations were brought on line, providing power to parts of the city for short periods of time.
- The 3rd Brigade, 101st Airborne Division uncovered a terrorism bomb-making factory in Baghdad yesterday.

Significant Events in Last 24 Hours

- Central Command's commanding general, General Tommy Franks, toured Baghdad yesterday, meeting with his top commanders in Saddam Hussein's former palace.
- Coalition special operations forces captured Barzan Ibrahim Hasan al-Tikriti, a half-brother of Saddam Hussein and one of Central Command's top 55 "most wanted."

Sources: Unclassified Department of Defense Sources and Press Reports.